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# **Regional Coordinating Committee**

Annotated Agenda Wednesday, January 8, 2014 8:00 a.m.

Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, Illinois

**1.0 Call to Order** 8:00 a.m.

## 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

## 3.0 Approval of Minutes – October 9, 2013 ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

#### 4.0 Transportation Alternatives Program

Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) created a new Transportation Alternatives program (TAP) to fund non-motorized transportation. It also gave Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) with populations over 200,000 the responsibility to program part of each state's apportionment under TAP. At their June 2013 meetings, the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee directed staff to program both years of funding with bicycle and pedestrian facilities by holding an abbreviated call for projects in summer 2013. At its November meeting, the Transportation Committee reviewed the proposed program and released it for a 30-day public comment period. Three public comments were received; the comments and staff's responses are available at the TAP webpage. The recommended program of projects is now being presented for approval.

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommend approval of the FY 13-14 Transportation Alternatives Program to the CMAP Board.

# 5.0 Reorienting State and Regional Economic Development- Lessons Learned from National Examples

Since the adoption of GO TO 2040, CMAP has conducted in-depth analyses of two of the region's industry clusters—freight and manufacturing. Those two reports recommend that the state and region reorient economic development strategies toward these and other key drivers of economic vitality. Economic development strategies deserve

further exploration as they include a wide variety of programs, financial incentives, and practices carried out at every level of government, as well as by organizations outside the public sector. This new CMAP report—the first installment of a two part series—explores some of the states and metropolitan regions that have already begun developing innovative strategies to reorient economic development practices. Some of these examples could prove instructive for Illinois and metropolitan Chicago. The examples include broad-based state policies; the implementation of regional collaboration and cluster support; and improvements to transparency and accountability. Based on this research, CMAP envisions opportunities for the State of Illinois and metropolitan Chicago to improve upon current economic development practices. This research will be undertaken in the next phase of this effort.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

## 6.0 GO TO 2040 Plan Update – Financial Plan for Transportation

Federal regulations require that the region's long range transportation plan be updated at least every four years. Accordingly, CMAP will have an updated plan considered for approval by October 2014. While it is anticipated that the core policies of the plan will remain mostly unchanged, the transportation financial plan and major capital projects will be reviewed and revised as necessary. Staff will provide an update on the Financial Plan, specifically final forecasted revenues and expenditures. Staff will also present the cost allocations needed to 1) operate the region's transportation system and keep it in a safe and adequate state of repair and 2) move the system toward a state of good repair, modernize it, and develop major capital projects. The universe of major capital projects was also distributed to the CMAP Transportation Committee and can be found online at <a href="http://cmap.is/mcpuniversememo">http://cmap.is/mcpuniversememo</a>.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

### 7.0 2014 State Legislative Agenda

Using GO TO 2040 as a guide, staff will present the state legislative framework and agenda for CMAP during the 2014 legislative session. ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

#### 8.0 Other Business

## 9.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The Chair will recognize non-committee members as appropriate. Non-committee members wishing to address the Committee should so signify

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10.0 Next Meeting- March	12, 2014	
11.0 Adjournment		
Committee Members:		
Elliott Hartstein, chair	Roger Claar	Ed Paesel
Frank Beal	Sheri Cohen	Leanne Redden
Pat Carey	Jack Darin	Peter Silvestri
Allison Clement	Al Larson	Thomas Weisner
Michael Connelly	Andrew Madigan	